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THE SHAKERITE

Share Your Christmas Cheer

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Dramatists Give First Production

'Outward Bound' Deemed Success by Packed House

As their first production of the season, the Department of Drama and the Theatre successfully presented Sutton Vane's tragi-comedy, "Outward Bound," to a full house Saturday evening, December 14.

This unusual and philosophical drama of death was the first of its kind ever presented at Shaker, and an appreciative audience was both surprised and mystified by the excellent presentation.

Because Julian Tully, who was to play the leading romantic role, was unable to perform, Robert S. Fryer, teacher of dramatics, who produced the play, was forced to substitute. Other members of the cast are students of dramatics, and the set was originated and executed by the department, assisted by Mabel Ely, art teacher.

Before the performance and between the acts, a piano overture was presented by Paul and Sanford Dieter. A musical background was used to create different moods throughout the play.

Immediately following the performance, there was a dance in the girls' gymnasium, at which Ernest Joseph's recordings were featured.

In cooperating with dramatic directors from several other high schools, the department will sponsor a One-Act Play Festival in the auditorium Friday, February 21.

53 Families to Benefit From Homeroom Xmas Baskets

Shaker's homerooms and several outside organizations are distributing Christmas baskets containing food, clothing, and toys to five hundred people in 53 families this week.

The average family group involved consists of five children and two adults, about three people more than the average Shaker family. Families are taken from the files of three city relief agencies, Broadway, Wilson, and Buckeye, and from the Glenville Associated Charities.

Christmas Greetings

Well, paint me red and white, if it isn't time for some more of that Super-Shaker spirit! Let's give three big cheers for the grandest Christmas vacation yet. And I'll see you at the alumni dance next Monday night.

Bob Falls

Treat Shakerites To Mountain Music

"Fiah away!"

With these encouraging words, Earl Lewis, the guitar-playing mountaineer from Pleasant Hill Academy, invited a nervous reporter to interview him. The time was immediately following the assembly in the small auditorium December 11, sixth period.

Dr. Victor Obenhaus, three boys, and four girls from Tennessee, had given the pupils of Shaker High school a treat by singing some of the old tunes of the Tennessee region, and dancing some of the spirited folk dances. One of the highlights of the program was the duet by Earl Lewis and Anna Lee Clemens, who sang "A Packet of Pins." Earl then soloed "When the Old Age Pension Check Comes to My Do'," and Anna Lee (who caught the eyes of many of Shaker's "confirmed bachelors" did a western song which illustrated the similarity between the cowboy songs and those of "hill-billies."

The group, Earl, Anna Lee, Lulu

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Will Offer Two Classes In Spanish This February

The teaching of the Spanish language in Shaker became a reality last week, when Principal R. B. Patin announced courses for next semester.

Two classes, composed mainly of present 10A's, will launch the venture in February. In September, two or three more groups will be started, necessitating the installation of a full-time instructor, not yet chosen.

The same general credit regulations will be applied to Spanish as are now governing other foreign languages, i.e., two years must be successfully completed in order to receive credit for the first year.

Choir and Glee Clubs Present Traditional Yuletide Program

The traditional Christmas concert, under the direction of Reynold Ellis, will be presented this afternoon by the A Cappella Choir, combined with the Boys' and Girls' Glee Clubs.

In a candlelight processional, the A Cappella will enter the auditorium singing "O Come, All Ye Faithful." After they have rendered four songs, the Glee Clubs will enter the auditorium singing "Masters in This Hall," by Holst. To climax the program, all three groups will combine their 130 voices in the "150th Psalm," by Cesar Franck.

After the program, Mr. Ellis will lead the student body in the singing of familiar Christmas carols.

The program will consist of the "Virgins' Cradle Hymn," composed by Edmond Rubbra, "I Behold Her, Beautiful as a Dove," by Healey Willan, followed by Tschesnokoff's "Salvation Is Created," and "Beautiful Saviour," arranged by Christiansen. The A Cappella will sing these four songs, after which the Boys' and Girls' Glee Clubs will join the A Cappella in the "150th Psalm."

"Basket-Ball" Tonight

The Congressional Club will give a recording "Basket-Ball" in the girls' gym after the game tonight with Cuyahoga Falls. The admission will be 20c for couples and 25c for stags. The dance will until midnight, and Coca-Cola will be served.

American Legion Sponsors High School Essay Contest

A week's trip to Washington, D. C., will again be the first prize in the American Legion Essay Contest, and Shaker students will undertake to repeat their successes of last year.

The subject of the contest is "Lincoln and The Constitution." All pupils of the ninth, tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades are eligible to enter. The essays will be graded 90% for content and 10% for form and style.

The two best essays and the second best from each grade in the county contest will participate in the district contest. The district winners will compete for the grand prize with entries from the entire state of Ohio.

Shaker winners of last year's contest were Dave Darvin, state winner, and Betty Golden, who gained county honors. The subject was "The Bill of Rights, My Protection."

Parents Meet With Club Representatives

Homer Horth, Mrs. Earl E. Finley, H. D. Falls, Mrs. Henry P. Boggis, and Mrs. George Roudebush, president of the junior high P. T. A., composed a new committee of parents, appointed by the P. T. A., which met with the 26 members of the Inter-Fraternity Council, December 10, to discuss what has been done regarding the Shaker fraternity situation and to make plans for future activity.

The conference resulted in a discussion of three major points, constitutions, pledging, and the formation of new organizations, but no definite conclusions were reached.

12A Class Will Be Host to Alumni At Annual Dance on Dec. 23

Entire School Invited as Phil Peters Returns

Every year at about this time Shaker's 12A class sponsors its annual alumni dance. This year it is scheduled for Monday, December 23, from 8 to 12 o'clock.

Phil Peters and his eight-piece orchestra will highlight the dancing, which will take place in the girls' gym.

All Shaker students are welcome to this affair, and a charge of 25c per person and 50c per couple will be made. Members of the 12A class are entitled to free admission.

Special invitations have been sent out to all of the alumni, reminding them of this annual occasion.

Jane Gentholtz is chairman of a dance committee which is in charge of all dance arrangements and refreshments. Also on the committee are Ann Broadbent, Julie Krauslich, John Jubell, Harry Newman, Dick Collister, vice-president of the 12A class, and Betty Adell, 12A secretary.

214 of June, 1940, Class Are At College, 64 at Work

A report showing that 214 of the graduating class are now in college, 39 are working, and 5 are married and are living in their own homes, was distributed at the P.-T. A. Open House, December 2. Of a class of 289, 261 reported.

Of the 87 institutions attended by the Shaker class of 1940, Miami University has 19 Shakerites. Case School of Applied Science is second with 11; Kent State University has 10; Ohio Wesleyan, 10; Dartmouth University, 7; Flora Stone Mather College, 7; Ohio State University, 6; Ohio University, 6; and Stephens College, 5.

1941 Annual Staff Ready for Work

"We have an enthusiastic staff which we feel represents the whole school. In an effort to make the book different this year, we are adding some new features and all suggestions to improve the annual will be welcome. After all, this is *your* annual," said Julian Reese, editor-in-chief of the 1941 Gristmill.

Most of the staff has now been chosen from those seniors who turned in applications. In addition to Wallace Weil, associate editor, Marilyn Bauer, art edjtor, and John Kellogg, business manager, the following positions have been filled:

Feature editor, Janet Dressler; club editors, Flora-Lu Lockwood and Charles Miller; class editor, Doris Heidler; sports editor, Ed Siegler; assistant sports editor, Hart Stotter; girls' sports editor, Netta Siegel; art assistant, Muriel Thomas; and financial manager, Marjorie Wonderlich.

Coming Events

Dec. 20—Congressional Club's "Basket-Ball."

Dec. 20-Jan. 6—Christmas Vacation.

Dec. 23—Alumni Christmas Dance.

Jan. 10—11B Dance.

Dr. Bigelow of Brown and Famed Naturalist Lecture

Dr. Bruce Bigelow, a representative of Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island, spoke to the student body on Thursday, December 12, on the question of choosing a college.

Dr. Bigelow pointed out that, while one should consider size, location, curriculum, and faculty in his college choice, "the college is only what the individual makes it."

"The trend," said Dr. Bigelow, "is toward vocationalism rather than broad, general education."

The famous naturalist, writer, photographer, philosopher, and lecturer, Sam Campbell, will speak at Shaker High January 14, 1941.

Mr. Campbell's home is in the forest, where he lives in direct contact with wild life. He will talk to the Shaker students on the subject, "The Human Side of Nature."

Mr. Campbell is a leader in Boy and Girl Scout activities and is the author of two books. He has spoken before assemblies in Cleveland and Cleveland Heights schools.

Shakerites Recall

The First Christmas Presents Santa Brought

"I was notorious for breaking my toys," were the words used by Student Treasurer David Garvin when he was asked what kind of care he gave his Christmas gifts. Santa Claus's first outstanding present to David was a teddy bear, although he also enjoyed a fine set of blocks. He hopes that Santa's annual visit to Shaker will this year bring the school a spirit of more whole-hearted support of school activities.

R. B. Patin's first Christmas gift is still in his possession, mainly because of the excellent condition in which he kept his playthings. This gift was a little chair with a deer painted on the back which his own children now have and which he hopes will remain in his family. Mr. Patin fervently wishes that the school's Christmas gift will be a recorder which would record speeches given over the radio that might later be heard in classes, an dalso could record different school activities. He has already proposed that the 12B and 12A classes buy it as their gift to the school.

Because Charles King, school secretary, spent so much of his youth out-of-doors, the Christmas present which is outstanding in his mind was his first bicycle. He wasn't of a destructive nature, but he had an unusual habit of playing with a toy for a week and then never looking at it again. Charles' desire is that Santa bring his gift to the school in the form of "more of that old Shaker spirit."

Dr. M. Evelyn Dilley's first Christmas gift was a doll's bureau, which she always felt was inferior to one which a little girl friend of her received at the same time. She certainly must have made good use of this bureau, because she had a collection of over fifty dolls. Although Dr. Dilley believes that the majority of the students are generally polite, she hopes that their courtesy will improve with the Christmas season.

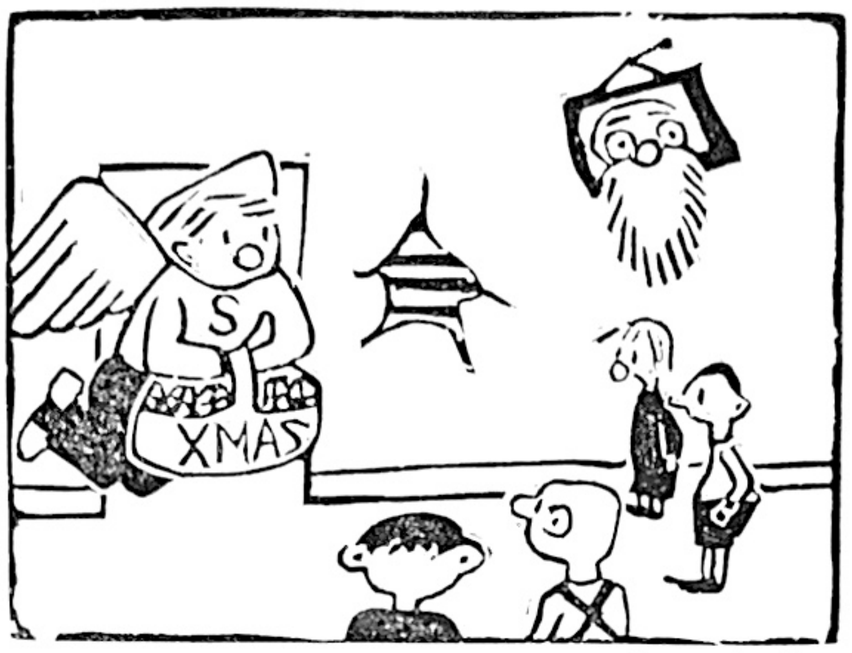
Greatest Good for Greatest Number on Junior High Football Issue---Loomis

Administrative opposition to the revival of junior high football has come to the fore. Dr. A. K. Loomis, superintendent of schools, while saying that he had no part in the decision to drop football at the junior high, put forth two objections to the proposed plan.

Dr. Loomis said, "The varsity teams would be required to practice every day and would thereby monopolize the playing space now used by others in intra-mural competition. I believe in the greatest good for the greatest number. Secondly, a state-wide survey in Wisconsin, backed up by experiences in other states, shows that youngsters under fifteen, when playing under the tension afforded by inter-scholastic competition are very likely to receive serious injury."

Opinions are still coming in on the issue, however. Dr. H. K. Begg, physician for the Barons, expresses a view on the latter point. His opinion is not based on a comprehensive survey, but it does come out of seventeen years of professional experience. Dr. Begg said, "I think football is a very fine idea, because it trains the boys for the future. Football is definitely not dangerous, even for boys of junior high school age, if it is played with varsity equipment. I have never seen a bad injury occur when proper equipment was used." Dr. Begg further estimated that over 90% of the serious injuries are directly traceable to the lack of good equipment. He went on to point out that Massilon starts its players in the seventh grade, but the injuries are minimized because of the high-grade equipment used.

Merry Christmas



Cartoon by Reese

Give Them Hope This Christmas

THOUSANDS of little blocks; endless rows of mute, blank, squares; and a prayer behind each one . . . a prayer for your sympathy and most of all for your aid.

Tuberculosis is a relentless disease, it makes no distinction between the young and the old or the rich and the poor. It squanders and consumes ruthlessly the life and strength of its victims. This devastating power must be fought with all the weapons that man possesses; with cleanliness and warmth, with good food and rest, and most of all with medicine and adequate medical care.

But all these necessities cost money and not everyone can afford them. Not, that is, without help from us who have it in our power to provide this care for them. We can help simply by supporting the annual drive of the Anti-Tuberculosis League. We all know of their drive; every year for as long as we can remember, we have heard of the Christmas seals they sell, and we don't give much thought to it. But as you do now, think of the hopeless lives of the many sufferers at this, our most happy season, and give now, for, with the purchase of those tiny squares, you are buying hope for them.

S. C. B.

THOSE baskets you are finishing filling today mean Christmas to many, so remember, that to these people the main difference between a gift from a friend and cold charity is the tissue paper and red ribbon around it.

We Regret . . .

MISS McCRACKEN, one of our teachers, found it necessary, because of ill health, to leave school for the duration of the semester.

Those who have had Miss McCracken know her as a person who is always bringing something new and vital into her classes that stimulates the interest of the students and makes her subject of English a fascinating one.

But, besides this, she has by hard work always managed to keep her classes on a high level. Perhaps it was because she did drive herself so conscientiously that she is ill today. We all will be happy to see her when she returns next year. Until that time her classes are being held by Mrs. Anderson, who taught New Curriculum English last year.

S. C. B.

Variety

By J. Willbee and Warren G

Glenn Miller, a bespectacled trombonist of 29, now claims the title "King of Swing."

This popular swing-master, an alumnus of Ben Pollack's band of ten years ago, shares his Alma Mater with Benny Goodman, Gene Krupa, and the Dorsey brothers. After the disintegration of the Pollack organization, Miller played and arranged for Jimmy Dorsey and Benny Goodman.

Although he organized his own band in 1936, his rise in popularity did not begin until the summer of 1938. At that time, Benny Goodman and Artie Shaw were battling for supremacy in the jazz world, but within five months Glenn Miller's band was causing more rug-dust to fly, making more phonograph records, and playing more radio dates than Goodman and Shaw together.

The maestro attributes this crescendo to the "juke-box," the record contraption which feeds upon your nickels in restaurants and soda parlors. Of the twelve to 24 discs in each of today's 300,000 U. S. juke-boxes, from two to six are usually Glenn Miller's.

His theme song "Moonlight Serenade"—a composition that developed almost by chance from his warming-up trombone exercises—was his first and most popular record, and in addition sold 30,000 copies in sheet-music form.

In the last few months his popularity seems to have ebbed, but his latest arrangements, "Pompton Turnpike," "Five O'clock Whistle," and "Anvil Chorus," are recapturing his public.

Tune in on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 10 p. m., station WGAR.

A Study in Christmas

Crisp green trees, their
Branches tipped with snow,
Siftings of misty stardust
Floating to drift below
The lighted windows.

The gay bright squares
Gleam like reflected laughter,
And wink through their hollywreath eyes
At the merryment rising after
The Yuletide cheer.

Warmth and joy from within,
Coolness and beauty without
Gladness ringing from young throats
Of carolers gathered about
The lighted windows.

Sarah Burt

Fashion Foolish

Boots, boots, boots; red, white and plaid ones, marching up and down.

The boys have finally found a compatriot in their dislike for these and many other foolish fads. In a recent lecture to an audience of Cleveland women, including ten Shaker girls, Mme. Schiaparelli, world famed Parisian designer stressed "individuality and simplicity" and warned her listeners against buying unsuitable, useless articles of clothing simply because everyone else is wearing them.

In comparing American clothing to that of the French, the lecturer declared that American women are more interested in quantity rather than quality and are therefore not willing to pay as high prices. She, when designing, never thinks of expense, for the French are willing to pay more for better designs and fabrics.

Would another city succeed Paris as the style center of the orld, Mme. Schiaparelli stood firmly in the conviction that Paris will never be displaced from the standpoint of fashion. In her opinion it is the very atmosphere of Paris that has made it a leader in dress designing.

Mme. Schiaparelli declared that no stylish woman would go without a hat though she, herself, contrary to this statement, recently went bareheaded because she couldn't find one suitable to the occasion.

Clothes not only make the man, but the woman too. So dress to suit your personality—and not fashion.

Ann Colston

Christmas Gift

Clutching the purse tightly, she pushed through the Christmas Eve crowds till she escaped the throng. Then, looking furtively back over her shoulder, she slowed down to a shopper's pace. It was only eight o'clock and the stores would be open till eleven for those last minute purchases. If she was lucky and kept her eyes open, she could snatch another purse.

She passed a group of young carolers who were singing through the streets; bits of conversation reached her ears, but she felt as if she was in a dream. Without realizing it she retraced her steps till she reached the place where she had committed the theft. Her attention was attracted by a kindly looking man and she heard him say to a woman whom she could not see, "Your purse wasn't stolen. You probably dropped it or left it on a counter. No one can do wrong on Christmas Eve."

"No, you're right, no one can do wrong on Christmas Eve," the woman replied.

She must go somewhere. Suddenly she saw the church and knew it would harbor her. Entering the peaceful, dimly lit place she went and knelt before the altar. After kneeling for a long time, with no thought except that she was safe, she opened her eyes and lifting them toward the ceiling, beheld the painted window of the Christ Child. She did not hear the organ playing softly, nor see the strangers passing all around her. Around the child's mouth played a soft, confiding smile, which captured her. Finally, she rose and walked from the church.

Descending the steps, she turned and saw a young mother trudging up, with her small son. She caught her breath, for the child's mouth bore that same half-smile which had enthralled her before. She saw the mother pause at the door and, drawing a painful breath, lean against the stonework. Suddenly she dashed up the steps and thrust the purse into the woman's arms, and the wise words echoed and reechoed in her ears, "No, no one can do wrong on Christmas Eve."

Nancy Burt

WAX CRACKS

There are two waxworks which stand out as the best sellers of the last three and one-half months. They are the two pieces to which everyone has been trying to do the "duck-waddle", Charlie Barnet's "Pompton Turnpike" and Glenn Miller's "Five O'clock Whistle." "Pompton Turnpike," however, is on its way out and "Five O'clock Whistle" is getting ready to leave us. We can't say what piece is going to take their place, but you can bet it will be on the order of these two pieces. It will be a foxtrot of medium tempo with an accented "off" beat.

Now for you cats and alligators, here are a few gift selections. Decca has just put out its long-awaited collection of boogie woogie piano demonstrations complete with a picture of each artist and a booklet which explains each record. The contents of this album are Bob Zurke's "Gin Mill Blues," with Bob Crosby's orchestra; Tommy Linehan's "Indian Boogie Woogie," with Woody Herman's orchestra; Mary Lou Williams' "Little Joe From Chicago" and "Overhand," with Andy Kirk's orchestra; and Milton Raskin's "Teddy Bear Boogie," with Teddy Powell's orchestra.

According to Down Beat's latest band poll, Benny Goodman leads the swing bands and Tommy Dorsey the sweet bands. Harry James is rated twelfth among the swing bands and twenty-fourth among the sweet bands. Benny Goodman is sixth among the sweet bands.

Lament of a Lost Christmas Shopper

Christmas shopping comes but once a year—and maybe it's a good thing.

With my money clutched in my hot little hand, I, along with hundreds of others, began my tour of the stores.

Determined to make the present fit the person for whom it was intended, I made yards of lists, trying to remember their wants, needs, and likes, and consolidate them in one gift.

My young brother necessitated a trip to a novelty shop. I left the shop with enough exploding matches, loaded cigars, miscellaneous horns, bells, and Chinese puzzles to keep him happy for months.

Leaning on a perfume counter, I tried to decide what smell my favorite friend would prefer, and before I finally made up my mind, I was surrounded in a cloud of trial whiffs of Lotus-Lavender, New-Mown Hay, Christmas Night and a touch of Unpredictable.

Gift buying of this kind always makes me wish I was buying something for myself, too. I always take my own "Letter to Santa Claus" with me when buying things for other people, because I see so many things I want myself.

Into the toy department I trudged, bent on a gift for my little cousin. He is three and just learning what teeth are for, so I decided his mother would appreciate the set of hard rubber blocks. I know they'll save wear and tear on the furniture.

I emerged mangled from the hoards of dirty-faced children knocking each other down in their eagerness to talk to Santa Claus.

Another hour accomplished nothing as it was spent going from one department to another in a vain search for washable playing-cards.

My energy exhausted, I gave up, and wended my homeward way.

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Home Cagers Bump Berea, Akron; Lose to Lorain in Lake Erie Tilt

Feinberg and Iofredo Sparkle as Raiders Play Early Tilts; Team Plays Cuyahoga Falls Tonight

Performing impressively in early games, the Shaker cage team seems to be on its way to a successful basketball season. The Raiders won at Berea 37-34, December 6, and conquered a strong Kenmore five from Akron four days later, 32-28, before dropping a game to Lorain last Friday on their own court by a 41 to 30 count.

The Berea game was close throughout and at the end of the first half the Raiders were trailing by one point. At the beginning of the third quarter, they opened up a scant lead which they clung to until the final gun, despite the fact that during the final period four Shaker starters were ejected on personal fouls. Last minute baskets under the Berea hoop by Siegler and Iofredo clinched the victory.

While registering a hard-fought victory over Akron Kenmore, the Raiders kept the home fans on the edge of their seats most of the time. The visitors held an early lead throughout most of the first half, but the Raiders finally forged ahead by a single point just before the intermission. Led by big Jerry Feinberg, who peppered the hoop with rebound shots, they widened the gap during the third period and went on to win. Feinberg, who poured in fourteen points, and Joe Iofredo, scrappy forward who accounted for eight markers, stood out for Shaker.

Shaker's defeat at the hands of Lorain was due to the failure of the Raiders to make a good percentage of their shots. At the outset of the game they needed seventeen tries before they finally registered a field goal. On the other hand, the Steelmen took advantage of Shaker's ineffectiveness and piled up an early lead which they never relinquished. They held an eight-point half-time command and the Raiders were never able to threaten this lead.

Tonight Shaker plays host to Cuyahoga Falls in a non-conference tilt.

Feminine Sportlights

By Ruth Ammerman

Plans for the Girls' Leaders' Club annual alumni party, December 30, will include bowling at Shaker alleys and dinner following at Clarks.

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"La Conga" lessons amused your inquiring reporter last Thursday, third period. Mrs. Lommen hopes to give "Rhumba" instruction, also.

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Shaker Shares entertained the Lakewood swimming club with a splash party and dinner at Clarks, Saturday, December 14.

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Netta Siegal's senior volleyball team captured the girl's intramural championship last week. The team finished the round robin tourney with a record of nine wins and one defeat. They played five sophomore, junior, and senior groups.

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Girls' Leaders' Club had a play at Bedford with Bedford and Garfield high schools December 5. Basketball games were followed by refreshments and a discussion of zone guarding for girls' basketball.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS
Inexpensive Gifts
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Swimmers Lose Opener to U. S., 46½ to 19½

Shaker's newly-organized swimming team opened the season by losing its first meet in regular competition to University School by a score of 46½ to 19½. The Shakerite natators took two first places in the 220-yard free-style and the 200-yard free-style relay, three second places, and four third places, with one third place tie.

Bill Porter, Shaker's ace free-styler, won the 220 easily, and the 200-yard free-style relay team, composed of Jack Howe, Harry Hecker, Scott Parsons, and Bill Porter, swam in the good time of 1:48.5. Jack Schuyler, who appears to be an up and coming backstroker, took second place in the 100-yard backstroke, and also swam the backstroke leg of the medley relay.

Homeroom Basketball Open, Seniors Play Three Games

The intramural basketball season opened last week with the senior homerooms having played seven of their scheduled games in the round-robin tournament.

Some small homerooms have combined, but the others have not been overpowered as the following list shows: 213, captained by Austin Moorehead, has won three and lost none; 211-224, Captain Fielding, has won three and lost none; 206, captained by Bowker, has won one and lost two, 304-310, captained by Korecko, has won one and lost two games; 212, Ken Horth, captain, has lost two, won none; 218-220, whose captain is Sangdahl, and which uses two complete teams, has lost two and won one. The seniors have been playing on Monday, while the Juniors and Sophomores play Thursday and Friday, respectively.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR
Howard's Men's Shop
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Extra Points

By Jim Graham

There has been considerable controversy over the question of whether hockey be dropped from the high school athletic program. The argument has raged back and forth between the students, who want the sport continued and the members of the faculty that want the sport discontinued because of the following reasons:

1. That the school does not have control of the sport. And it is not coached by faculty members.
2. The hours of practice were poorly arranged and often conflicted with Arena interests.
3. Poor sportsmanship predominated, which likely will be the case when the games are controlled by professional referees.
4. As Shaker has such a limited supply of material from which to select athletes for the various sports there were too many boys attracted to hockey that might readily be playing basketball, a sport in which Shaker has equal chance to be outstanding because they are in an already organized league which is governed by the same eligibility in all sports.

At present the situation is such that the members of the team from the various schools are required to go out and sell tickets in order that the Arena company can pay for the equipment needed to outfit the ten teams in the league. Under this plan any money left over from reductions in prices is not put back into the athletic fund of the various schools.

Also teams wishing to join this league are voted on by the teams who started the league or joined first.

It seems to me that Shaker should not be a participant in any such organization at least until a more considerate program is worked out.

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Grapplers Drop Opponents Twice; Edge East in Tight Meet, 21-19

West Cowboys Routed in First Match of Season, 31-7; Roth Drops Opponent in First Minute at East

Defeating East High 21-19 last week and mauling West High 31-7 two weeks previous, Shaker wrestlers appear headed for a successful season.

Bob Roth, 105-pound midget, scored pins in both meets. Starting off the first meet of the season, Bob thrilled the small but noisy crowd by pinning his man in both the second and third periods. Roth added to this fine performance a spectacular pin at East in the first minute of the match. Bob Spacek, 155-pound city champ last year, won his first start of the year in the East meet by pinning his opponent twice. Unable to compete in the same weight in which he was so successful last season, Bob wrestled in the 165-pound division, necessitating the movement of Tom Denby to heavyweight. The decision gained by Tom at this weight proved the decisive factor in the win at East.

Featuring the West High rout were pins by Mike Gallitte and Bill Pascal, decisions being awarded to Bud Wilford, Ed Speisal, Neal Brunner, and Bernard Tobin.

Fencing Champs Aim for Third State Title

The Fencing team, under the able coaching of Edward Peck, formerly an Olympic star, and captained by Bob Jaster has won the state interscholastic fencing championship for the last two years.

The team will open its drive for a third championship this year when they face East here on Jan. 19, 1940. Last year the team won eight meets and over the past three years has won twenty-six straight.

Fencing, as a sport, has been in practice for several hundred years and has, in times past, been a means of defence and a road to fame. A match consists of five points gained by stabbing the opponent with a blunt tipped weapon called a foil. Another means of fencing is the sabre which has a cutting edge and is used in a slashing motion. Points are gained in this by cutting the opponent anywhere above the waist. The third method of fencing is the epee. This weapon is a development of the French duelling sword. It has three edges and tapers down to a point upon which is fastened a three pronged gadget called a "point-darre."

The team is expecting a hard season as many new teams have entered fencing this year.

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Subversive Activities

Reynold Ellis will definitely not remove his name from the list of eligible bachelors during Christmas vacation because of a certain **Susan** of Boston society, now on the New York stage.

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And then we have been seeing quite a bit, yes, quite a bit of that **Paryzek-Porter** combination.

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Carl Huntley gave up at Shaker and went to Shaw in his search for a date, and, egad! he found one.

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Because **Miss McCafferty** wouldn't give that **Kilroy** guy a break, he asked another **Pat** to steady with him.

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The head of our school's government, **Bob Falls**, and **Barb Spencer**, of the strict caloric diet, are among the latest permanent fixtures around the alma mater.

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Steadying—**Gloria Kelly** and **Hal Centini**.

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Orchids to **Alumnus John Bazeley**, of the Lawrence Tibbett vocal chords, and **Virginia Roof**, who have convinced us that they're positively inseperable.

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The great lover certainly came out in **Robert S. Fryer** last Saturday in "Outward Bound."

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Romeo Turner has been given a one way ride for the second time. Want a lift, **Jack?**

Mountaineers Sing, Dance

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Ashburn, Roy Brown, L. R. Gracey (the one with the suspenders, girls), Mayma Lewis, and Helen Chastain, was shown through the school. The two gymnasiums and the swimming pool were the chief points of interest. Lulu remarked, as she left, "I could be lost in this school for three days and not even know it."

Pleasant Hill Academy itself is conducted by Dr. Obenhaus, who went there three years ago from Cleveland's Church of the Covenant. Work is done by the students as payment for their room, board and tuition. Sports play the biggest part in the recreation of the students, and folk dances run a close second.

Council Adopts Present Library Stairway System

After trial, the Student Council has decided that the newly installed stairway system is to become a permanent part of the school's traffic laws.

Members of the Council voiced the opinion that the new system lessened the congestion on the central stairway next to the library to such a degree as to warrant the small amount of effort which it requires on the part of the student body.

Many students, however, feel that since the new system is to become permanent, the three minute interval between classes should be lengthened in order to enable them to reach second floor classes from the gymnasium on time. A suggestion has been made that Shaker adopt the system successfully utilized by Heights High which provides for a period of five minutes between classes.

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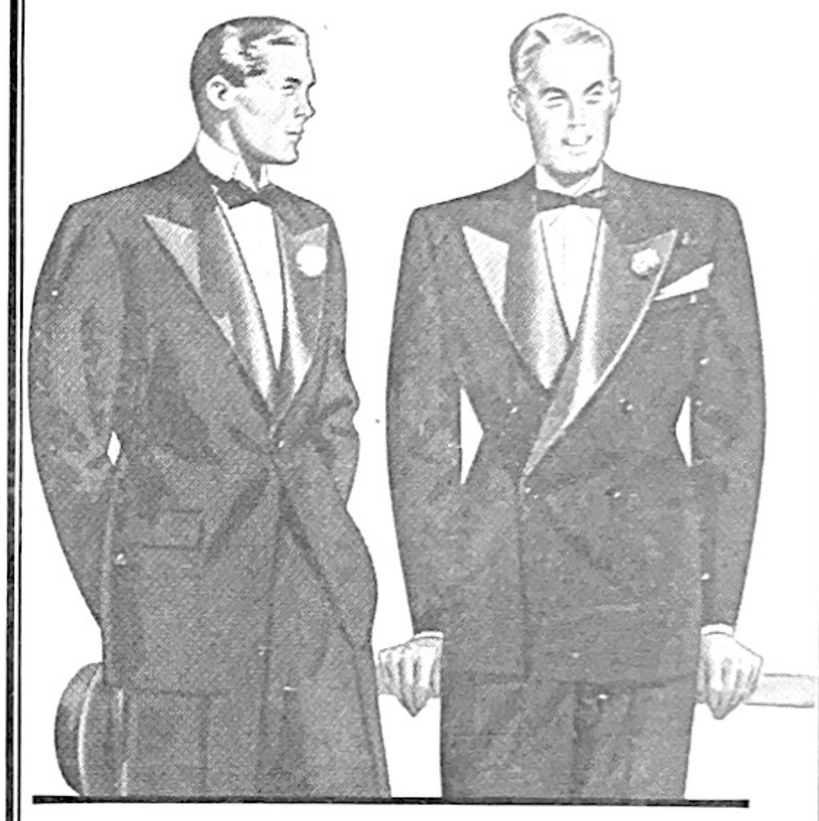
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